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Employer Identification Number:

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1120

Tax Years: 1994 - present

Dear Applicant:

This letter constitutes a final adverse ruling with respect to your claim of exemption from federal income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

We make our ruling for the following reason(s):

You have failed to establish that you are organized and operated exclusively for exempt purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the Code. You have not established that you are operated for exclusively charitable purposes rather than for the benefit of private interests. You have not established that your net earnings will not inure to the benefit of private individuals.

In the event you were able to establish an exempt purposes under section 501 (c)(3), you would be classified as a private foundation under section 509. As a private foundation, you would be unable to continue operating the charitable gaming business.

Donors may not deduct contributions to your organization under section 170 of the Code.

The Code and the regulations issued thereunder require that you file federal income tax returns. Based upon the financial information that you furnished, you should file returns on the form and for the tax years indicated above within 30 days from the date of this letter, unless you request and are granted an extension of time to file the returns. You should attach a copy of this letter to the returns you file. Questions concerning the filing of returns should be directed to the Ohio EP/EO key district office at 877-829-5500 (a toll free number).

If you decide to contest this ruling under the declaratory judgment provisions of section 7428 of the Code, you must

initiate a suit in the United States Tax Court, the United States Court of Federal Claims, or the District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia before the 91st day after the date that we mailed this ruling to you. Contact the clerk of the appropriate court for rules for initiating suits for declaratory judgment. The filing of a declaratory judgment suit under section 7428 does not stay the processing of income tax returns and assessment of any taxes.

In accordance with section 6104(c) of the Code, we will notify the appropriate State officials of this action.

If you have any questions concerning the reasons for this ruling, please contact the person whose name and telephone number appear in the heading of this letter. You should attach a copy of this letter to the returns.

Sincerely,

(signed) Marcus Owens

Marcus S. Owens
Director, Exempt Organizations
Division

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